

REMARKS

Claims 1, 2 and 5-29 are all the claims pending in the application. Claim 25 is amended and claims 26-29 are newly added. Applicant respectfully submits that the amendments to claims 25-29 are amply supported by the specification and introduce no impermissible new matter.

Claim Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e)

Claim 25 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as allegedly being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,738,355 to Love et al. (“Love”). Applicant traverses this rejection for at least the following reasons.

Claim 25 is amended to require that the “determining comprises reading a specific label, contained in said one or more packets, and determining whether said one or more packets are a signaling message from this specific label.” None of the cited portions of Love, nor any of the remainder of that reference, identically teach the above-quoted features of claim 25. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that claim 25 and its dependent claims are now in condition for allowance and, therefore, respectfully requests that the Examiner withdraw this rejection and allow claims 25-29.

Conclusion

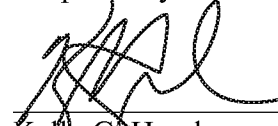
In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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